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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed Japanese references are also enclosed.

A concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents may be found at pages 4, 5, and 22 of the specification.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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		5,148,226	09/15/1992	Setoriyama, et al.	355	290	
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		5,210,579	05/11/1993	Setoriyama, et al.	355	285	
		5,262,834	11/16/1993	Kusaka, et al.	355	285	
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		4-44075	02/13/1992	Japan			Abstract
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		5,682,576	10/28/1997	Sakai, et al.	399	69	
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		5,860,051	01/12/1999	Goto, et al.	399	529	
		5,920,757	07/06/1999	Izawa, et al.	399	329	
		5,960,233	09/28/1999	Goto, et al.	399	69	
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		2002/0118977	08/29/2002	Hasegawa, et al.	399	69	
		2002/0168202	11/14/2002	Izawa, et al.	399	329	
		6,493,521	12/10/2002	Miyamoto, et al.	399	44	
		6,519,426	02/11/2003	Goto, et al.	399	69	
		2003/0029853	02/13/2003	Izawa, et al.	219	216	
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		4-204982	07/27/1992	Japan			Abstract
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